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Hq XXVIII Gds Mtz Rifle Corps

Hq 39th Gds Mtz Rifle Div

112th Gds Mtz Rifle Regt

Hq 20th Gds Mecz Div

67th Gds Mecz Regt

Hq 57 Gds Mtz Rifle Div

172d Gds Mtz Rifle Regt

Hq 21st Gds Mecz Div

GERA September

RUDOLSTADT 3 November

PLAUEN 12 November

JENA 14 November

ZEITZ 1 July

NAUMBURG 12 November

GOTHA 14 November

HALLE 14 November

c. Third Shock Army.

693d How Arty Regt

780th Gun Arty Regt

An Engr Bn of the 207th Mtz Rifle Div

Hq 94th Gds Mtz Rifle Div

283d Gds Mtz Rifle Regt

115th How Arty Regt

Hq 18th Mecz Div

348th Engr Bn

An AAA Regt of the 18th Mecz Div

STENDAL 1 July

GARDELWEGEN 5 September

TANGFRIEDEN 10 November

SCHWEDIN 15 November

HAGENOW 15 November

SCHWEDIN 1 July

PERLEBERG 15 November

LUDWIGSLUST 15 November

PERLEBERG 1 July

d. First Guards Mechanized Army.

4th Gds AAA Div

6th Ordn Bn

Hq 8th Gds Mecz Div

64th Gds Hv Tank SP Regt

Hq 9th Tank Div

108th Tank Regt

44th Gds Tank Regt

7th Gds Hv Tank SP Regt

DRESDEN- September

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MEISSEN September

GRITZA 12 November

LEISNIG 22 October

RIESA 12 November

RIESA September

BAUTZEN 30 October

DRESDEN 27 October

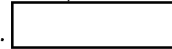
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e. Second Guards Mechanized Army.

Army Hq	FUERSTENBERG	13 November
31st AAA Div	SCHOENWALDE	2 November
An AT Arty Brig	ORANIENBURG	15 November
A RL Regt of the Army	SCHOENWALDE	16 November
Hq 9th Gds Tank Div	NEUSTRELITZ	15 November
33d Gds Mtz Rifle Regt	PASEWALK	18 October
65th Gds Tank Regt	NEUSTRELITZ	28 October
Hq 12th Gds Tank Div	NEURUPPIN	15 November
34th Gds Mtz Rifle Regt	25X1B NEURUPPIN	15 September
Hq 1st Mecz Div	DOEBERITZ	20 November
35th Mecz Regt	DOEBERITZ	3 November
3d Tank Bn of the 37th Mecz Regt	DOEBERITZ	14 November

f. Third Guards Mechanized Army

Army Hq	LUCKENWALDE	1 October
Hq of the AAA Div	KUMMERDORF	12 November
91st Gds RL Regt	TREBBIN	3 November
Hq 14th Gds Mecz Div	JUETTERBOG	15 November
49th Gds Mecz Regt	JUETTERBOG	3 November
10th Tank Regt	JUETTERBOG	3 November
✓ Hq 6th Gds Tank Div	WITTENBERG	12 November
→ 78th Gds Hv Tank SP Regt	WITTENBERG	5 October
Hq 7th Gds Tank Div	ROSSLAU	15 November
Hq 9th Mecz Div	COTTBUS	14 November
692d How Arty Regt	COTTBUS	23 October

g. Fourth Guards Mechanized Army

Army Hq	EBERSWALDE	25 October
An AAA Div	EBERSWALDE- FUERSTENWALDE area	30 October
93d Gds Hv Tank SP Regt	BAD FREIEN- WALDE	15 November
17th Gds Mecz Regt	EBERSWALDE	1 November

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35th Gds Mecz Regt	BERNAU	15 November
82d Gds Hv Tank SP Regt	EBERSWALDE	15 November
676th How Arty Regt	BERNAU	14 November
52d Gds RL Bn	BERNAU	14 November
33d Gds Sig Bn	BERNAU	15 October
22d Gds Engr Bn	BERNAU	14 November
120th(?) AAA Regt	BERNAU	24 October
34th Tank Tng Bn	BERNAU	15 November
Hq 7th Gds Mecz Div	FUERSTENWALDE	15 November
Hq 25th Tank Div	ORANIENBURG	20 November
162d Tank Regt	ORANIENBURG	31 October
83d Gds Hv Tank SP Regt	PRENZLAU	25 October
Hq 10th Gds Tank Div	KEAMPNITZ	20 November
63d Gds Tank Regt	BRANDENBURG	2 November
81st Gds Hv Tank SP Regt	GROSS GLIENICKE	28 August

Reassignment of Posts.

3. With the return of the units from troop training grounds and fall maneuvers, there have been various changes in the distribution of Soviet units, which, according to information received up to the time this report was prepared, have been analyzed as follows:

a. GOFU.

A major engineer unit with vehicles of the 36th Pon Bridge Regt has been observed in the Seeckt Kaserne, MAGDEBURG, since the end of October. It is believed that the regiment was transferred to MAGDEBURG as none of its vehicles has been observed in ROSSLAU since early November.

b. First Gds Mecz Army and Eighth Gds Army.

Vehicles of the 19th Gds Mecz Regt of the 8th Gds Mecz Div, which was stationed in the Artillerie Kaserne, CHEMNITZ-EBERSDORF, prior to the spring of 1951, have not been observed there since that time.

[REDACTED] the 19th Gds Mecz Regt may now be carried there. On the other hand, no vehicles belonging to the 69th Gds Mecz Regt of the 21st Gds Mecz Div or to the unidentified rocket launcher regiment of the XXIX Gds Mtz Rifle Corps, which had been stationed in LEIPZIG-SCHOENAU, have been observed there for some time. The two units were probably transferred to hitherto undetermined posts, but indications are that a component of the 13th AAA Div remained in LEIPZIG-SCHOENAU. The unidentified AAA regiment of the XXVIII Gds Mtz Rifle Corps, previously carried in the Artillerie Kaserne at ZEITZ, allegedly moved to the PROBSTZELLA area in the middle of November while, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] a tank unit with 80 to 100 tanks arrived at the Reuss Kaserne in GERA at the same time. This movement probably required the withdrawal of artillery components of the XXVIII Gds Mtz Rifle Corps from the barracks installation. This was not observed, however, but there were

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rumors that units from GERA were shifted to the zonal border. The revenue office in RUDOLSTADT, which previously housed the Hq 39th Gds Mtz Rifle Div, was vacated by the Soviets in the middle of November. The two barracks installations at the post were only lightly occupied up to 25 November. The barracks installation in SAALFELD, too, had considerably less occupants as of 25 November than during the previous winter. There is a possibility that components of the 39th Gds Mtz Rifle Div were transferred to OHRDRUF where the 936th How Arty Regt is permanently stationed. It has not been determined whether the 12 troop trains, which carried unidentified units to OHRDRUF in late October, were connected with the movement of divisional components to OHRDRUF. However, all aforementioned hypotheses on troop movements have not been substantiated, nor has it been possible to analyze the alleged de-training of troops in LENGENFELD, Vogtland, on 23 November and the unloading of troops with tanks in ZWICKAU on 26 November. These changes may have been connected with movements of German Volkspolizei units from the central section of the Tannenberg Kaserne, WEIMAR, to a hutment on Tiefurter Allee, WEIMAR; and from the Kadetten Schule, NAUMBURG, allegedly to WEISSENFELS. The central section of the Tannenberg Kaserne, WEIMAR, was reoccupied by an unidentified Soviet Army unit. Soviet troops were also reported to be stationed in DELITZSCH and BITTERFELD, which were hitherto unoccupied. It was reported that German civilians were evicted from a former German Air Force settlement at DELITZSCH. It has not been determined, however, whether this series of movements was caused solely by the fact that Soviet Army units had to be withdrawn from CHEMNITZ because sizable guard and motor transport units of the Wismut Corporation had arrived there during the summer. Since this reason alone does not warrant such large scale movements, it is possible that components of the Eighth Gds Army are being shifted farther to the central and western portion of the original army area. This would furnish billeting space for other units at the previous dividing line between the areas of the Eighth Gds Army and the First Gds Mecz Army. There has been no information to confirm this conjecture to date.

c. Third Shock Army.

The barracks installation south of STAATS, on the northeastern perimeter of LETZLING Heath, which was constructed in the summer of 1951, has been occupied by components of the 207th Mtz Rifle Div, including units with numerous tanks, since the beginning of November. Indications that the 16th(?) Gds Tank SP Regt may be stationed there have not been verified to date. A regiment of the 3d (?) Gds AT Arty Brig, which was previously stationed in BERNBURG, remained in permanent quarters at ALTENGRABOW upon completion of the summer training period. The 348th Engr Bn and an unidentified tank unit in the area of the 18th Mecz Div were transferred from PERLEBERG to LUDWIGSLUST. Movements of troops from the SCHWIERIN post to nearby GORRIES airfield in the middle of November could not be analyzed.

d. Second Gds Mecz Army.

Components of the 1st Mecz Div have been identified in DOEBERITZ-OLYMPISCHES DORF since the beginning of November. They probably vacated a section of the Kavallerie Schule, KRAMPNITZ, which may have been subsequently occupied by components of the 10th Gds Tank Div from GROSS GLIENICKE. Information on the occupation of the barracks installation at GROSS GLIENICKE since the completion of the fall maneuvers has been conflicting. In the fall of 1951, a tank regiment of the 12th Gds Tank Div seems to have moved from the Friedericus Kaserne to the See Kaserne, both in NEURUPPIN.

e. Third Gds Mecz Army.

It is believed that, at present, the barracks installation at ROSSLAU is occupied only by the headquarters and components of the 7th Gds Tank Div and, possibly, by some small army headquarters units. Compare with paragraph 3a.

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~~CONFIDENTIAL~~f. Fourth Gds Mecz Army.

Components of the unidentified AAA division from the Schuetzen Kaserne, EBERSWALDE, were transferred to a hutment at BRITZ at the end of October. The Hq Fourth Gds Mecz Army moved to the western section of the Schuetzen Kaserne in the fall. The residential quarter on Jaegerstrasse, ORANIENBURG, which was declared a restricted area in the fall, was occupied, in early November, by 600 troops, who probably belong to components of the 25th Tank Div in the SS Kaserne adjoining the restricted area to the east. It is believed that components of the 7th Gds Mecz Div were reshuffled and that the 24th and 25th Gds Mecz Regts are now believed to be stationed in FRANKFURT/Oder. It also appears that the two tank regiments of the division have been reassigned to other quarters within the FRANKFURT/Oder post.

Fall Maneuvers.

1. The pattern of the fall maneuvers and the identity of the troops involved has been fairly definitely established. It appears that large-scale field exercises were held in the following four areas:

✓ OSCHATZ-RIESA Area.

Troop movements to the OSCHATZ-RIESA area about 16 October, convoys of trucks belonging to all divisions of the First Gds Mecz Army at OSCHATZ, and troop movements from this area to various posts of the army between 20 and 27 October indicated the possibility that a large-scale exercise was held in the OSCHATZ-RIESA area, possibly extending as far as the ZEITHAIN area east of the Elbe River. However, the exercises are believed to have involved only some combat components of the army's three divisions, because further components of the army returned to their home stations from the KOENIGSBRUECK troop training grounds during the second half of October.

✓ ROSSLAU-BARBY-BITTERFELD Area.

A large-scale exercise was conducted in the ROSSLAU-BARBY-BITTERFELD area from 20 to 28 October, involving combat components of all four divisions of the Eighth Gds Army, components of the 6th Arty Div, engineer and motor transport units of the GOPG. The exercise provided for: a river crossing by a northern force, consisting of components of the reinforced XXIX Gds Mtz Rifle Corps, which gradually concentrated in the ZERBST-ROSSLAU area north of the Elbe River after about 20 October; the construction of several bridges across the Elbe River between BARBY and DESSAU; the establishment of most of its troops as a bridgehead on the south bank of the Elbe River on 27 October; an attack by a southern force consisting of components of the XXVIII Gds Mtz Rifle Corps, advancing from the WEISSENFELS-MERSEBURG area probably on 28 October; and an eventual withdrawal to the north bank of the Elbe River. The troops started leaving the maneuver area on 29 October, with most of them entraining at stations along the ROSSLAU-MAGDEBURG line.

✓ WOLMIRSTEDT-TANGERSHUTTE-BURG Area.

Exercises of components of all four divisions of the Third Shock Army and elements of the 7th Gds Tank Div began in the WOLMIRSTEDT-TANGERSHUTTE-BURG area about 20 October and probably ended between 25 and 27 October. During this period a western group, presumably consisting of most of the Third Shock Army's components, assembled on the west bank of the Elbe River in the area east and southeast of LUTZLING Heath, established a bridgehead on the east bank of the Elbe River, and was attacked by an eastern force, possibly formed by the 7th Gds Tank Div. The process of the return movement of the units involved to their home stations lasted until the early part of November.

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Approximately coinciding with the maneuver in the JOLIMIRSTEDT-TANGERHUEETTE - BURG area, combat units of the Fourth Gds Mecz Army, excluding the 7th Gds Mecz Div, conducted a field exercise in the area southeast of RATHENOW which wound up the summer training period. Although no specific information on the course of the maneuver has been received, the maneuver itself and the units involved therein have been definitely determined on the basis of rail movements to and from the area concerned.

Completion of the Summer and Fall training.

5. The majority of the troop training grounds were vacated by troop units by the end of October and beginning of November, with only small rear detachments remaining behind. However, Camp LIEBERGSE still quartered about 2,000 troops from FUERSTENWALDE in mid-November, and it is reported that they will remain there throughout the winter. Upon their return to winter quarters, the troops were engaged predominantly in maintenance work on vehicles, weapons and equipment during November. The newly arrived recruits received drill.

Exchange of Personnel.

6. The influx of recruits, which began at a low rate in early October, increased in volume about 1 November, with a total of 18 shuttle trains being used in their transport. The repatriation of discharges to the U.S.S.R. began about the same time, with the same shuttle train being employed. This program was still under way on 1 December. Most of the shuttle trains went via the border crossing points of KUESTRIN and GUBEN, and some via FRANKFURT/Oder. Contrary to the procedure in October, when incoming shipments of recruits were broken up in FRANKFURT/Oder before they proceeded to military posts in the Soviet Zone of Germany, most of the shuttle-trains observed in November went directly to processing points in the various army area, where they also picked up discharges for shipment to the U.S.S.R. Recruits arriving at such processing points, e.g. JUTTERBOG, DRESDEN, MEISSEN, WEIMAR, MAGDEBURG, RATHENOW, DOEBERITZ, NEURUPPIN and COTTBUS, were shipped out to the troop units on short shuttle trains which, on their return trips, conveyed discharges to the abovementioned processing camps. Since the program was still under way and information on shipments during the last week of November was still incomplete, it has not been possible to give exact figures of the number of troops affected by the exchange program in October and November. A total of about 53 trains with recruits and 37 to 39 trains with discharges have been identified during the period from 3 October to 30 November. Reports on the number of troops in each railroad car varied to such an extent that they precluded an exact computation of the number of incoming and outgoing personnel. However, assuming that each shuttle train carried 1,200 men on an average, it appears that about 64,000 recruits arrived in, and about 47,000 discharges departed from, the Soviet Zone of Germany. According to the Soviet draft system and Soviet documents, the incoming recruits included the last contingents of the 1931 class and the first contingents of the 1932 class, while the outgoing discharges included contingents of the 1928 class.

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9. There were no discernible changes in the strength and organization of the Soviet Army units in the Soviet Zone of Austria and in Hungary up to the middle of November 1951.

Order of Battle.

19. The 177th Engr Bn of the 95th Gds Mtz Rifle Div was confirmed in the Prinz Eugen Kaserne, ST. POELTEN, until the end of October 1951.

Reassignment of Posts.

10. The Altkettenhof at SCHWEOCHAT appears to be occupied by components of the AAA regiment, which has been carried as a whole in the barracks installation at KAGRAN to date. The AAA regiment concerned is believed to be directly subordinate to the Hq Fifty-Ninth Air Army. ~~As of mid-November, for the first time, a sentry and several other army soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets were observed at the castle in BAD VOESSLAU, which has so far been occupied by personnel of an air force reconnaissance regiment. However, the vehicles observed at the castle at that time still belonged to the air force. It cannot be determined whether the observation indicates a change in the occupation of the castle.~~

Return of Troops from Troop Training Grounds.

11. 12. The units which had been concentrated at the DOELLERSHEIM troop training grounds, Austria, during the summer months returned to their winter quarters by the end of October. Reports from northwestern Hungary also indicated that the components of the 17th Gds Mecz Div, which held their summer training at the HAJMASKER troop training grounds, were expected to return to their home stations in early November.

POLAND.

12. Previous information indicating that Soviet units from OPPELN, probably components of the 20th Tank Div, were transferred toward LIEGNITZ in the spring of 1951, was confirmed to some extent by a report of May 1951 by a woman resettler from Polish-occupied Germany. * According to this report, Soviet units moved into Camp STRANS near NEUHAMMER, from which Polish units were withdrawn. It is believed that the Soviet troops, who possibly came from the OPPELN area, are to be stationed there permanently rather than for only the summer training period.
13. Soviet troop units confirmed in barracks installations at BRESLAU until August 1951 included motor transport and signal troops in the Hindenburg Kaserne, KARLOWITZ; a rocket launcher unit in the barracks installation in the southwestern suburb of OLTASCHIN; and a motor transport unit in the borough of OPFERAU. In addition, several large Soviet workshops and supply installations are located in BRESLAU.

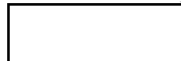
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12.

[redacted] of September 1950 indicated that the 63d Sig Bn, of the XXXIV Gds Rifle Corps was stationed in ROVNO, Carpathian MD, at that time. Until the end of the war and after the war, the corps was an organic component of the Fifth Gds Army, which is now in command of the Carpathian MD. It is therefore believed that the XXXIV Gds Rifle Corps was still subordinate to the Fifth Gds Army in 1950.

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